

ISAC Meeting – May, 2014

ACTION OR INFORMATION ITEM

SPONSOR (Name/Email): Hilda Diaz-Soltero, USDA

TOPIC: The 2014 Farm Bill

SPEAKER (Name/Email): Doug Holy and/or Rosalind James

1. DESCRIPTION OF AGENDA ITEM (include length of time needed):

Attributes of 2014 Farm Bill related to invasive species, funding for invasive species programs and invasive species research. Most of the issues are related to activities in the NRCS and ARS in USDA. Time 20 minutes and 10 minutes for Q & A.

2. WHY IS THIS ITEM IMPORTANT TO NISC / ISAC? HOW IS IT RELATED TO THE NATIONAL INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT PLAN?

Major funding for invasive species work on private lands for the next 5 years is in this legislation; as well as funds for specific research on invasive species. Apart for the USDA agencies annual appropriations, this is the largest source of funds and policy impact for invasives programs. NISC and ISAC familiarity with the Farm Bill will enhance their opportunities to leverage its programs and funds to accomplish tasks in the National Invasive Species Management Plans of 200, 2018 and 2014.

3. PREVIOUS ACTIONS TAKEN BY NISC / ISAC ON THIS ITEM:

None.

4. ACTION REQUESTED OF NISC / ISAC:

None.

5. ALTERNATIVES:

Provide the power point to ISAC electronically for their information outside the meeting.

6. ATTACHMENTS:

None.